

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON 25, D.C.



REPLY TO
ATTN OF:

SUBJECT: Air Operations Course for Air National Guard and USAF Personnel

TO: Director of Central Intelligence
2430 E Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

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1. Recent changes within the Air Force in which additional responsibilities were assigned certain commands for conduct of unconventional warfare have prompted the Tactical Air Command to request that six of its personnel be given the opportunity to attend the Air Operations Course conducted by the Central Intelligence Agency.

2. As a result of informal liaison with Agency personnel, it is understood that the course can be conducted for a minimum of six and a maximum of twelve persons, and that approximately two months advance notice is required. The Tactical Air Command has nominated six individuals. The following details are furnished for planning purposes:

- a. Course duration: Approximately two weeks.
- b. Course starting date: 27 February 1961.
- c. Vital statistics on nominees:

(1) Col William H. Holt, 35483A; duty assignment: Director of Inspection for Reserve Forces, Hq TAC, Langley AFB, Virginia; Top Secret security clearance; BI filed District 19, OSI, Travis AFB, California.

(2) Lt Col John J. Dean, 33585A; duty assignment: Chief of Flying Training Standardization, Hq 9th AF, Shaw AFB, South Carolina; Top Secret security clearance; BI filed District 4, OSI, Bolling AFB, Washington, D. C.

(3) Maj Warren G. Abolt, 35220A; duty assignment: USAF advisor to 130th Troop Carrier Squadron, Charleston, West Virginia; Top Secret security clearance based on NAC plus 10 years consecutive service, data filed District 4, OSI, Bolling AFB, Washington, D. C.

(4) Maj Stanton M. Rickey, 38655A; duty assignment: Chief, Training Applications Branch, Deputy for Intelligence, Hq TAC, Langley AFB, Virginia; Top Secret security clearance; BI filed District 4, OSI, Bolling AFB, Washington, D. C.

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(5) Capt Varsted C. Jizmejian, A0758571; duty assignment: Air Operations Inspector, Hq 9th AF, Shaw AFB, South Carolina; Top Secret security clearance; BI filed District 4, OSI, Bolling AFB, Washington, D. C.

(6) Capt Chalmers M. Seymour, A02220331; duty assignment: Air Targets Officer, Training Applications Branch, Directorate of Requirements, Hq TAC, Langley AFB, Virginia; Top Secret security clearance; BI filed OSI Inspector General, USAF District Office 10, San Antonio, Texas.

3. To obtain maximum value from the course through full enrollment, this Headquarters will contact the Air National Guard and Air Force subordinate commands having responsibility for air operations associated with unconventional warfare and advise them of the availability of student spaces for the course. Details concerning any additional nominees will be forwarded to CIA as soon as received by this Headquarters.

4. It is requested that Hq USAF (AFXPD-PY-CW) be advised of the availability of the Air Operations Course during the period specified. If the course cannot be conducted as desired by TAC, request that an alternate time be proposed by the CIA.

5. It is further requested that this Headquarters be provided all necessary details, such as: student reporting instructions, clothing requirements, time of release of students in Washington area at termination of course (for purpose of transportation reservations) etc. This information will not be released to the commands requesting student quotas until after CIA approval of selectees.

6. The Hq USAF project officer for this action is Col J. F. Mistrot, AFXPD-PY-CWA, Room 4-C-1071, Pentagon, extension 77462 or 77861.



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WPS believes that the conduct of this course will be a worthwhile effort on the part of the Agency. Air Force capabilities to conduct Clandestine Air Operations are important in supporting the Agency's wartime mission and tasks; therefore, any actions taken to improve this capability will be directly beneficial to the Agency. If the course can be conducted without interfering with other Agency training programs, we recommend that the attached request be answered in the affirmative.

This staff will be glad to lend any assistance you may desire in regard to the conduct of this course.

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